

DECLARATION OF LOCAL DISASTER

WHEREAS, between June 25th and June 27th, 2021, areas of McLean County suffered from a series of thunderstorms that produced at times and in multiple locations up to 2" of rainfall per hour, up to 60 MPH winds, and penny to golf ball sized hail that caused isolated wind and hail damage, severe flooding and water damage to public and private property, disruption of utility services, and endangerment of health and safety of the citizens of McLean County, with every Township in the County being within the disaster area, and

WHEREAS, under Illinois law a "disaster" is defined as "an occurrence . . . of widespread or severe damage, injury or loss of life or property resulting from any natural . . . cause, including but not limited to . . . flood . . . wind, (or) storm . . . requiring emergency action to avert danger or damage . . ." 20 ILCS 3305/4; and

WHEREAS, due to severe weather experienced in McLean County from June 25th through June 27th, 2021, McLean County has experienced a local disaster as defined by Illinois law; and

WHEREAS, the effect of a declaration of a local disaster is to activate or continue to activate the McLean County Emergency Operations Plan providing for sharing of government resources and supporting any request to State or local agencies for assistance and to authorize the furnishing of aid and assistance to the same; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Illinois law (20 ILCS 3305/11) only the principal executive officer of a political subdivision may declare a local disaster, and only for a period not to exceed seven (7) days; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by John McIntyre, as Chairman of the McLean County Board, declares as follows:

- (1) For the next seven days or until otherwise rescinded or extended by the County Board, a Local Disaster is hereby declared for all of McLean County because of the damage caused by severe weather between June 25th through June 27th, 2021; and
- (2) The County Clerk is hereby directed to forward a certified copy of this Declaration to all members of the County Board, the Emergency Management Director, the McLean County Sheriff, the County Engineer, the Director of the McLean County Health Department, and the County Administrator.

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

By: Kathy Michael
Kathy Michael, Clerk of the County Board
McLean County, Illinois

By: John McIntyre
John McIntyre, Chairman
McLean County Board
Date: 6/29/21